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JIM - HARVEY HAYS

JERRY - JOHN LARKIN

FRANK DUNN - FRED SULLIVAN

TOM - FRANK DANE

SOUNDREMARKS

MASTER Attached as broadcast:

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1 ANNOUNCER: Uncle Sam's Forest Rangers.

2 MUSIC: THEME

3 ANNOUNCER: Folks it looks as though we're going to need more  
4 firewood than ever next winter, so Uncle Sam is appealing  
5 to farmers to get out some extra cords of firewood  
6 right now for sale and use when next winter rolls around.

7 Most woods, as you know, require from six to twelve  
8 months seasoning. If the 3½ million farm woodland owners  
9 in the United States will cut just one or two extra  
10 cords now, before planting work gets too heavy,  
11 it will help mightily to meet next winter's needs.

12 The Forest Service says that cull trees, the crooked  
13 and diseased and stunted trees that aren't much good  
14 for anything else, and the tops and branches of trees  
15 cut for lumber, can be used for fuel, without  
16 sacrificing the best trees that should be left to  
17 grow into sawlogs. Just one or two extra cords cut  
18 and stacked in each farmer's woods will make it a lot  
19 easier for many folks all over America next winter..

20 At the Pine Cone Ranger /Station today we find Ranger  
21 Jim Robbins and his assistant, Jerry Quick, talking  
22 with a visitor, Frank Dunn. Mr. Dunn, a local farmer  
23 seems disturbed about something, but, well, here  
24 they are..

25 JIM: (FADING IN) Now take it easy, Frank. Go ahead and tell  
me just what's botherin' you.

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me just what's bothering you.



1 FRANK: It's simple enough, Jim. I'm talkin' about that farm  
2 factory project or whatever it is they're settin' up  
3 around here.

4 JERRY: Oh. Mr. Dunn means that new forest products marketing  
5 service for farmers, Jim. Isn't that it, Mr. Dunn?

6 FRANK: Yeah, that's it. Accordin' to last night's paper, you  
7 fellers are gonna make a project outa the farm woods  
8 in this county and, well, Jim, I just wanta tell you that  
9 you needn't figure on gettin' my woods into it. I  
10 oughta know w'enough about managin' a farm woods by now,  
11 Jim, and I don't need no ..

12 JIM: I'm sorry you feel that way about it, Frank. I won't  
13 be havin' very much to do with the program myself,  
14 but that don't mean I'm not interested in it. If you  
15 ask me, I think it's the best doggonned thing that  
16 ever happened for farm forestry around here.

17 FRANK: Mebbe so. But what d'ya mean, you won't have nothin'  
18 to do with it? Ain't you and the State forestry  
19 fellers both mixed up in this business?

20 JIM: Yeah, Frank, in a way. The project they're starting here  
21 is based on a cooperative agreement between Uncle  
22 Sam and the State forestry folks abt right, but I won't  
23 be handling the work out there in the woods with  
24 you farmers. The state's sending in a special farm  
25 forester to do that, see?





1 FRANK: Yeah, that's what I'm gettin' at. I for one don't need  
2 nobody ato tell me how to manage my woods, Jim.  
3 And so far as I'm concerned he doesn't even have to come by  
4 my place.

5 JERRY: Jim, I'm wondering if Mr. Dunn here understands just  
6 what this new marketing service for farmers is all  
7 about?

8 FRANK: I know enough about it, young man, to say I don't  
9 want nobody tellin' me how I gotta handle my timber.

10 jim: Nobody's goin' to bother you or your timber, Frank,  
11 if that's the way you feel about it. I'm just hopin'  
12 other farmers in this project area don't have the  
13 same idea you've got.

14 FRANK: I'm not talkin' for nobody but myself, Jim. If other  
15 folks want to go along on this new-fangled forestry  
16 idea, that's all right with me. Right now, I'm  
17 fixin to let a batch of my timber go, and I'm gettin  
18 a pretty price, too, if you ask me, and I don't  
19 want nobody inte rfering with me swingin' the deal ..  
20 Yes sir, Jim, I'm goin' to get a mighty good price  
21 for that block of timber down there in the southeast  
22 corner of my place.

23 JIM: Glad to hear it, Frank..but..uh ..to get back to this  
24 farm-forestry program..like Jerry said,I'm wonderin if  
25 you've got the right slant on it, too.





1 FRANK: Well, I s'pose it's got to do with gettin' folks to cut  
2 their timber right, 'cordin' to the way you forestry  
3 fellers look at it, and plantin' the bare spots to  
4 trees and all like that. I ain't objecting to that  
5 especially ..I gotta admit I've learned a lot of things  
6 about managing woods from you fellas..but..  
7 JERRY: But that's only a part of this new program, Mr.Dunn.  
8 JIM: Yep, there's more to it than that, Frank. Right now,  
9 it's a program that's aiming to stimulate getting out  
10 more wood for war, at the same time seein' to it that  
11 farmers get a fair price for their forest products,  
12 and of course that their woods are tr eated properly  
13 too, along with it.  
14 JERRY: That's it, Mr.Dunn. It's a marketing service..see?  
15 A service for farm woodland owners in finding proper  
16 markets for their products, and like Jim says,  
17 getting fair value for what they sell.  
18 FRANK: Yeah, that's just it..this marketing business. Take that  
19 block of timber I'm fixin' to sell, now. The deal I'm  
20 going to make suits me okay, and I don't want no..  
21 JERRY: I didn't finish, Mr. Dunn. You see, this marketing service  
22 also provides for helping farmers make up the right  
23 kind of agreements when they get ready to sell their  
24 timber products.





1 JIM: Yeah, Frank. I reckon you're plannin' to draw up a  
2 pretty good sale agreement? So you don't come out  
3 on the short end of the deal, or your woods either?

4 FRANK: Well, this feller I'm dealing with, Jim, he's set a  
5 nice price and I'm ready to take it. So that's all there  
6 is to it.

7 JIM: Okay, okay, Frank. I just hope everything works out like  
8 you think it will.

9 FRANK: Huh?...I don't like the way you said that, Jim.

10 JIM: I'm sorry, Frank, but that's the way I feel about it. And,  
11 I might as well tell you, I'm kinda disappointed in your  
12 reaction to this farm forestry project comin' in here.  
13 They set this one up 'cause we've got a critical area  
14 here and...

15 FRANK: Yeah, that's somethin' else that's bothered me. What  
16 d'ya mean, we got a critical area here? What's critical  
17 about it? I'd say we got some doggoned good farm woods  
18 in this country, a lot of 'em, too.

19 JERRY: Yeah. That's exactly why this section was designated a  
20 critical area, Mr. Dunn. It simply means there is  
21 a lot of farm woodland around here and that it can  
22 contribute more to the war job than it's doing now.

23 JIM: That's right, Frank. In a lot of farm woods there's  
24 all kinds of wood products, useful on the farm as well  
25 as for war, and some folks don't always realize what  
they have got in their woods. Some folks can stand  
havin' a little advice.





1. FRANK: Well, I reckon I know what I've got in my woods, Jim.  
2. I got some sawlogs and I got a little firewood. And that's  
3. about all...But, Jim, you started out to say you were  
4. disappointed in me. Why? From what you fellers say I  
5. gather that nobody's goin' to be pressured into going  
6. along on this project. So what difference does it make  
7. what I do?

8. JIM: Well, Frank, you've got some fine woods on your farm  
9. and I was hopin' to bring the farm forester over to your  
10. place first thing when he gets here tomorrow. I was  
11. thinkin' maybe you'd be one of the first to join up.  
12. But I guess that's out now.

13. FRANK: You...you mean you were plannin' to bring him to my  
14. place first off?

15. JIM: Yep. I wanted you two to get together.

16. FRANK: H-m-m...This kinda puts me on a spot after shootin' my  
17. mouth off like I have.

18. JIM: Forget it, Frank. We'll try some of the other folks.  
19. I reckon a lot of 'em will be glad to get any dope the  
20. farm forester can give 'em and...

21. FRANK: Now wait a minute, Jim. I'll tell you what. You go ahead  
22. and bring this man over tomorrow. We'll see what he's  
23. got to say about my woods, 'specially about that timber  
24. I'm aimin' to sell. We'll see how it stackes up against  
25. what I was planning to do myself and, well, I ain't  
promisin' anything, mind you, but....





1. JERRY: That sounds fair enough, Jim. Mr. Dunn can make up  
2. his mind after he meets Tom and hears what he has to  
3. say.  
4. FRANK: Tom? That's this farm forester's name?  
5. JIM: Yes, Frank. Tom Mills. He's the project forester  
6. they're assigning here. He's a good man, too, or I  
7. don't know good men. (FADE) We'll bring him over to  
8. your place tomorrow...  
9. PAUSE:  
10. FADE IN COW MOOING OFF, FADE OUT  
11. FRANK: I don't mind tellin' you, Mills, I didn't know what to  
12. expect when Jim here said he'd bring you out to my place  
13. this morning. I reckon I kinda thought you'd be one  
14. of these fast-talking high-pressure fellows that'd try  
15. to hoodwink me into doin' something I didn't want to  
16. do.  
17. TOM: I hope I'm not like that, Mr. Dunn.  
18. JIM: (CHUCKLING) 'Stead of that, you find he's just like the  
19. rest of us around here, huh, Frank? 'Cept of course, he  
20. knows more about handling farm woods than a lot of us.  
21. FRANK: I ain't admitting that yet, Jim. Not entirely, I ain't..  
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JERRY: Seems to me, Mr. Dunn, you said yesterday you had sawlog timber and some firewood on your land and that was all. And yet the first thing Tom does is show you how you can sell a lot of fenceposts besides getting all you need for your own south pasture, just by doing some thing where it's needed in your west woods.

ALL LAUGH:

TOM: Can I get a word in edgewise here...Don't mind Jim and Jerry, Mr. Dunn. I'm sure you'd've seen the need yourself for thinning that young growth.

FRANK: Acourse I would. I gotta admit though, Mills, your idea of usin' the cut stuff for fence posts was mighty fine. With a little preservative, like you say, it'll make good posts, and more'n I need at that.

TOM: Sure, and you can sell those extra posts along with the extra firewood you'll be getting out of the tops. Both are needed, badly.

JIM: (CHUCKLING) Some sawlogs and a little firewood. That's all you've got in your woods huh, Frank?

ALL LAUGH

FRANK: (LAUGHING) A guy can't be right all the time, now can he, Jim?

TOM: You said you had one block of timber you wanted me to look at in particular, Mr. Dunn. Is that the stand over there?



1. FRANK: That's it, Mills. I'd sure 'preciate it if you gave it  
2. the once-over and told me what I oughta do with it.

3. JERRY: Isn't that the timber you plan to....

4. JIM: Skip it, Jerry.

5. TOM: What's that, Jim?

6. JIM: Just talkin' to Jerry here... I reckon you'll want to  
7. make an estimate of the trees that ought to be cut, huh,  
8. Tom?

9. TOM: That's right, Jim. I'd appreciate it if you and Jerry  
10. and Mr. Dunn here would give me a hand. It shouldn't  
11. take long...From here, it looks like there's some whopping  
12. big timber in that stand that oughta come out..and a lot  
13. of young, thrifty stuff that should be left.

14. (FADE) A swell chance for selective cutting, I'd say.

15. PAUSE:

16. FADE IN CRACKLING FIRE, SUSTAIN IN B.G.

17. FRANK: (FADING IN) Jim, I reckon you thought I was crazy askin'  
18. you to stay on here sittin' by the fire while Jerry took  
19. Mills down the road to Stevens' place?

20. JIM: No, not at all, Frank. What's on your mind?

21. FRANK: Jim, did I get Mills right when he said, 'cordin' to  
22. his figures, that the big timber alone, cut out selectively  
23. as he called it, oughta bring 800 dollars at market?

24. JIM: Yes, that's what he said, Frank.  
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1. FRANK: But where did he get his figures to go by in the first  
2. place, Jim?

3. JIM: (CHUCKLES) I s'pose I should've told you, Frank. Tom's  
4. been hard at work for several weeks gettin' up just  
5. such information on local markets and current market  
6. prices in this part of the country. That's part of this  
7. farm-forestry program too, see?

8. FRANK: Jim, I got a confession I wanta make to you.

9. JIM: Aw now, wait a minute, Frank, you don't have to confess  
10. anything to me.

11. FRANK: No listen, Jim. I thought I was a know it all, see?  
12. Well, I sure found out some things today, Jim. You know  
13. something?

14. JIM: What's that?

15. FRANK: Jim, I thought I was really gettin' something when I planned  
16. to let that block of timber go for 600 dollars...

17. JIM: Six hundred dollars? Why, that's down two hundred from  
18. what Tom said your big timber should bring, Frank!

19. FRANK: Yeah, I know. And that ain't all. For six hundred  
20. dollars I was goin' to let 'em out the whole stand off,  
21. big and small timber -- all of it. This way, takin'  
22. Mills' advice, I'll still have my smaller stuff comin'  
23. along ready to cut in another few years, and I'll be  
24. doing better on the price, to boot.  
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1. JIM: (CHUCKLING) Then you think this new-fangled farm  
2. forestry idea, as you put it, isn't so bad, huh,  
3. Frank?

4. FRANK: Well Jim, they say you can't teach an old dog new  
5. tricks, but I'm tellin' you, here's one old dog that's  
6. learned something, by jiggers.

7. MUSICAL FINALE:

8. ANNOUNCER: Uncle Sam's Forest Rangers comes to you each week  
9. curing the National Farm and Home Hour as a network  
10. presentation with the cooperation of the Forest Service,  
11. United States Department of Agriculture...

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